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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Monday, September 21, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED	October 19, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Philip Thompson, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding
Fran Franklin, Professional Member, **Secretary**
Ralph Robinson, Professional Member
Joseph McDonough, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General
Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Diane Postell, Professional Member, **Vice President**
Louise Allen Frazier, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Gail Levinson, Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware
Julie Jenks Zorach, Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the July 20, 2009 minutes for approval. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding Revisions to the Statute and Rules & Regulations

A discussion took place regarding the statute revisions that were proposed in HB 184, and the amendments that were made to the Bill. Ms. Levinson and Ms. Zorach provided the Board with an update on the current status of the Bill and what happened with the Bill at the end of the first session of the 145th General Assembly. They advised the Board that the Bill was amended at

the last minute to remove the language that exempted state employees and include the provision that would allow persons to become licensed by demonstrating 20 years of clinical social work experience and currently practicing, along with passing the national clinical exam, without supervision requirement. The Bill passed the House, but won't go before the Senate until the continued legislative process, Session 2 of the 145th General Assembly starts in January.

The Board also reviewed and discussed a draft of proposed revisions to the statute that was prepared by Ms. Heeney. The revisions primarily focus on the implementation of multi-level licensure. The Board recognizes the need to have an exemption or grandfathering provision to ensure that people with many years of experience are not put out of work when multi-level licensure is implemented. The next section that the Board will work on is the qualifications section. Ms. Heeney will add language to the draft regarding the qualifications for bachelor and master level applicants. The revised draft will be reviewed at the October meeting.

Continuing Education Audit Review

The board reviewed the additional CE documentation submitted by William McCracken in response to his audit deficiency. Dr. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robinson, to accept the documentation. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – James Burton

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for James Burton. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Veronica West

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Veronica West. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Patricia Hopkins

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Patricia Hopkins. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Kimberly Sancandi

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Kimberly Sancandi. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Quinesha Cannon

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Quinesha Cannon. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Heather Cohen-La Scala

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Heather Cohen-La Scala. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Nancy Frick

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Nancy Frick. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Tara Taylor

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Tara Taylor. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Patrick Adzadu

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Patrick Adzadu. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Betty Carson

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Betty Carson. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Susan Gray *

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Susan Gray. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Pippa McCullough

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Pippa McCullough. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Bruna Carchedi

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Bruna Carchedi. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Initial Licensure – Mindy Webb

Dr. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robinson, to ratify the application for initial licensure for Mindy Webb. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Supervision Report from Dr. Susan Edgar for Sachin Karnik

The Board reviewed a supervision report from Dr. Susan Edgar, for Sachin Karnik. Dr. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Mr. McDonough, to accept the report as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Application for Disability Accommodations from Veronica West

The Board reviewed a request for ADA accommodations for Ms. West to take the ASWB clinical exam. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the ADA accommodations as requested. Motion unanimously carried.

*The ratification of Susan Gray's application for licensure by reciprocity was rescinded at the October meeting. Please see the October 19, 2009 minutes for details.

Ratify Request for 90-Day Waiver – Peter Hue

The Board received a request to ratify the Board President's approval for a waiver of the 90 day waiting period to retake the ASWB clinical exam for Peter Hue. Dr. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Mr. McDonough, to ratify the approval for the 90 day waiver. Motion unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

ASWB Annual Meeting Information

Ms. Slaughter advised the Board of the dates for ASWB's Annual Meeting. Mr. Thompson advised the Board that he is interested in attending. ASWB will pay the expenses for one delegate to attend. There were no objections from the other members regarding Mr. Thompson attending the Annual Meeting. Ms. Slaughter advised the Board that she received information regarding the board of director elections that will be held at the Annual Meeting. The information was provided to Mr. Thompson after other interested Board members reviewed it.

ASWB Fee Increase Proposal

The Board reviewed a fee increase proposal from ASWB. Ms. Slaughter asked if there were any comments that needed to be forwarded back to ASWB regarding the proposal. Most of the members agreed with the proposal. Mr. Robinson thought that the increase was a bit to high.

Review Letter from Kate Stiner, Delaware State University Student Council President

The Board reviewed a letter from Kate Stiner, Delaware State University Student Council President, in which she asked if one of the Board members would be willing to attend one of their monthly student council meetings to discuss the licensure process and requirements. Mr. Robinson advised that he would be willing to attend one of the meetings if they would have the meeting at the Dover campus instead of the Wilmington campus. Mr. Thompson advised that he will draft a letter to Ms. Stiner advising of this proposal. If they are unable to change the meeting location, Dr. Franklin advised that she may be able to attend one of the Wilmington meetings in 2010.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Dr. Franklin advised that the ASWB exam committee that she was serving on has finished their review and categorization process and they have forwarded their work on to the exam writers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Levinson advised the Board that the CSWS-DE will be sponsoring a HIPPA Conference December 4th at Buena Vista. Detailed information can be found on their website.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on October 19, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McDonough made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion

unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shauna Slaughter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II
Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners